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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-68. (Cancelled)
69. (Previously Presented) Apparatus comprising:
a device having a cavity therein, said cavity having at least two electrodes having contact surfaces adapted to contact tissue collected therebetween, and said cavity further having a suction lumen in communication therewith;
an optical energy source adapted for transmitting optical energy to an outer surface of said tissue collected between said electrodes; and
an electrical energy source connected to said electrodes.
70. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 69, wherein said electrical energy is radio frequency (RF) energy.
71. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 70, further comprising a suction mechanism in communication with said suction lumen.
72. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 71, wherein said optical energy is selected from the group consisting of Intense Pulsed Light, laser energy, and blue light.
73. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 72, comprising a reflector in said cavity for reflecting optical energy scattered from said outer surface of said tissue back thereto.
74. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 70, comprising a cooling mechanism for cooling an outer surface of said tissue collected between said electrodes.

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75. (Currently Amended) A method for treating skin tissue, the method comprising:
collecting a portion of skin tissue between at least two contact surfaces of respective at least two electrodes, such that an outer surface of said tissue is in contact with said surfaces of said electrodes;
transmitting optical energy from an optical energy transmitting element to ~~an outer surface of said~~ a first portion of skin tissue collected between said electrodes for treating said portion; and
applying electrical energy to said a second portion of tissue collected between said electrodes for treating the skin tissue.
76. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 75, wherein said electrical energy is radio frequency (RF) energy.
77. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 76, wherein said collecting a portion of tissue comprises applying negative pressure to said portion of tissue.
78. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 76, comprising applying an electromagnetic conductive medium to said portion of tissue.
79. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 78, wherein said electromagnetic conductive medium is a conductive lotion.
80. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 76, comprising measuring the volume of said secured portion of tissue.
81. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 76, wherein said optical energy is selected from the group consisting of Intense Pulsed Light, laser energy, and blue light.
82. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 76, comprising reflecting optical energy scattered from said outer surface of portion of tissue back thereto.
83. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 76, comprising cooling an outer surface of said portion of tissue.
84. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 75, further comprising applying a lotion between said electrode surfaces and said portion of tissue.
85. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 75, further comprising applying a gel between said electrode surfaces and said portion of tissue.
86. (New) The method of claim 75, wherein said first portion and said second portion are substantially the same portion.